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1. Mr. John Adams, Counselor of the Department of the Army, called to inform me that he had had a request from Mr. Grimes, Counsel of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, for a specific intelligence report by name concerning the [redacted] When Mr. Adams indicated the possibility to Mr. Grimes that intelligence reports might not be available to him, Mr. Grimes indicated that this was the first request of several to follow for a number of intelligence documents and that they better settle the issue at once. The Army was given 36 hours to reach a conclusion before Grimes brought Senator Jenner into the picture. Mr. Adams stated that the Committee did not seem to be interested in the substantive aspects of the report as such, but rather in the integrity of those who had prepared it. The Army is studying the law and regulations on the subject of release of this type of material and wished the DCI to be acquainted with the problem as of possible intelligence community interest.

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Subsequently, Mr. [redacted] AD/OIC, called to state that a G-2 Colonel was in his office to inquire whether there was anything in NSCIDs or elsewhere which could bear on this problem. The document in question is the [redacted] with reports running from 1943 to 1949 or 1950 classified "Secret". It contains reports from several agencies, including 15 from CIA. These include verbatim texts of [redacted] reports. I have brought this matter to the attention of DD/I as well as the IG.

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2. Mr. Sprankle, of the House Appropriations Committee staff, called to state that Chairman Taber and he proposed to come down to CIA at some future date "to make a tour". He was unable, however, to indicate when this might happen, although I gathered it would happen fairly soon. Sprankle recalled the special black book which we had prepared for the Chairman last year and requested that a similar book for this year be prepared. I have informed DD/A of this request.

3. Mr. Mandel, of the Internal Security Subcommittee staff, called to state that Mr. Grimes, Committee Counsel, wished to talk with [redacted] at 2:30 this afternoon regarding any information [redacted] might have about [redacted]

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No congressional review

required.
Army review(s) completed.

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the alleged destruction of the Communist files in the New York office of ONI during the war. With the approval of Mr. Kirkpatrick, I told [] to meet this appointment as he had formerly worked for ONI in the New York office. [] also cleared his appearance with his superior, Mr. [] the Deputy Security Officer.

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